

MEMORANDUM

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Markham, Helen

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TO: Mr. Joseph Ball  
Mr. David W. Belin

FROM: Burt W. Griffin

RE: Helen Markham - Commission Document 105, page 33.

Is there any significance in the fact that Helen Markham, 32829th Street, Dallas, Texas, who witnessed the killing of Officer Tippit by Lee Harvey Oswald, has known Jack Ruby for the past two years or more? Ruby is a customer at the Eat Well Cafe where Miss Markham is employed as a waitress.

Mr. Roland C. Carpenter independently reported to the FBI that when he was discussing the assassination of President Kennedy and the possible association of Oswald and Ruby with Jimmie Gambulos, manager of the Eat Well Restaurant, Gambulos declined to continue conversation after some undisclosed point, because, according to Carpenter, Gambulos stated he did not wish to get involved. (Commission Doc. 7, page 459) Of course, when the FBI interviewed Mr. Gambulos and his brother, no significant information was developed.

Does the connection between Markham and Ruby suggest any reason for Oswald's being at the corner of 10th and Patton when he shot Tippit? Does Miss Markham's explanation of why she was at 10th and Patton give any clue as to why Oswald might also have been there?

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Mr. Rankin